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Jansson et al.

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For METHOD, APPARATUS AND COMPONENTS  
OF DIALYSIS SYSTEM

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Official Action mailed May 19, 2004, setting forth a Restriction Requirement in the above-identified application. A petition for a three-month extension of time is enclosed herewith.

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants provisionally elect, with traverse, Group I, claims 144-155. Additionally, the Official Action set forth a requirement for election of species. In response to this Requirement, Applicants provisionally elect, with traverse, Species A, claims 144-146.

In the Official Action, the Examiner required restriction to one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. §121: